

FRIDAY, AUG. 14, 1885.

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There is to be a Grove Meeting at Canton, Aug. 16th.

Monday Sep. 7th, has been decided for the opening day of the Maine Band Muster at Lake Umbagog.

The 17th Maine Regiment re-united at "muster" at the Lake Umbagog, in Portland Harbor, on the twenty-third anniversary on Tuesday Aug. 18. Single fares on the railroad. Excursion tickets including island transportation 75 cents.

An excursion train on the Maine Central collided with a hand car near Livermore Falls Sunday. Some boys had stolen the car and were taking a ride on it. They saw the train coming and took the woods. The locomotive was somewhat smashed.

Grant memorial services were held at the brick church at Canton, Aug. 8th, by John A. Hoar, Rev. G. W. Smith, Speakers, Rev. Mr. Haydon, Auburn Hon. J. P. Swasey, Rev. Mr. Ventres and Rev. W. J. Froot of Canton. The church was neatly decorated and well filled.

The farm buildings of William Bickford of Ewerfield, and barn, were burned to the ground Monday morning. The fire was first discovered in the barn about 3 o'clock. It is a mystery how the fire got anything of any importance was saved from the buildings. Insured for \$1,000. The policy expired the 11th inst.

At about 10 o'clock Monday night, a murder was committed at the farm of Wilbur S. Wood of Burnham, killed James Bennett, a laborer at Iceberg, stabbing him through the heart, and wounded Michael Brennan, Bennett's friend, stabbing him quite severely in the left hand and right wrist. Wood gave himself up.

Monday night burglars made an unsuccessful attempt to open the safe in the store of Frank L. Mason of North Conway, N. H. They tipped the safe on its side and cut a large hole through the outside door near the lock, with tools obtained from a blacksmith shop. They were probably scared away while at work, and entered a chamber window. Nothing was missing but a few cigars.

From an article in Frank Leslie's Monthly we take the following: In 1818 Nathaniel Hawthorne then about 14 years old was taken by his mother to live with her brother in the town of Raymond, near Lake Umbagog, in Maine. In this remote and lonely place, where he first got his "cursed habit of solitude." Nevertheless, he lived his perfect life; spent days roaming in the great woods, and nights strolling alone on the moonlit ice-bound lake. He only lived here one year, for the next year he was sent back to Salem to school.

The Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows met at Portland, Tuesday, and after several of our Past Grand attended. The order in this state is prosperous and has increased the membership during the year over 500. There are 1650 Past Grand and about 15,000 members. Five Subordinate and two Rebekah Degree Lodges have been instituted. The 12th annual meeting of the Relief Association was held Monday evening. The present membership paid during the year, \$75,000; the benefit paid the last year being \$92. In the 12 years of its existence, it has paid in death benefits \$408,582. About \$15,000 have been paid to families of members of Norway, and the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: J. Henry Crockett, of Portland, Pres., Chas. E. Rich, of Portland, V. Pres., John Reed, of Lewiston, Sec., J. N. Reed, of Woodford's, Treas.

We noticed some very fine stock at Col. C. S. Edwards, and in particular a yearling calf which given five feet and looked like a two-year-old. The Col. is doing a good work, helping to improve the breed of cattle among us. The Bethel House, Wm. L. Lovejoy & Son, proprietors, is crowded with guests, among whom we notice the familiar faces of the yearly visitors to this home, Mr. and Mrs. Moushine, Mr. and Mrs. Y. N. as well as many other distinguished persons. Looking over the bill of fare, we were surprised at the "Menu" varied and beautiful. We will here present it for the long suffering appetites of these long summer days, and "Midsummer Nights Dream." Breakfast: Eggs, Fish, Baked Ham, Corn, Pork Steak, Fried Tripe, Liver, Bacon, Baked, Fried, Stewed, Bread, Rolls, Corn Meal Bread, Dry and Milk Toast, Graham Rolls, Hard Crackers, Soft Crackers, White Bread, Baked, Butter Toast, Minceapple, Griddle Cakes, Fried Pudding, Black Tea, Green Tea, Coffee, Cocoa, Halfway Sauce, French Mustard, Pickles, Cheese.

Wm. N. Lorrer and wife, (daughter of J. G. Rich, esp.), of Boston, are visiting friends hereabouts for a few weeks. The healthiest and most promising boy in northern Oxford is in our opinion the son of John and Mary Holt of Greenwood. You only have to look at his fat limbs and laughing mouth to convince you of the fact. His name is William. He will make an Oxford Bear.

Messrs. Woodbury & Farrington are doing a heavy business in grain and general store trade. Last Monday they put up for customers three hundred bushels of corn and grain, and after ten o'clock a. m. ground three hundred bushels of corn and oats, besides unloading a car of corn. They do not call it a good day's trade, they do over a hundred dollar worth.

Fred Emery is doing the most of the business in Bethel. He is rushing and driving qualities, and is bound to succeed. We opine that that little woman up stairs has something to do with his business up to the fact. There are those that discourage a man but Fred has got a true helper.

The largest and most ferocious snake of the New England States is now on our street last week and is often seen in our midst. He is very stubborn and bally, kicking out right and left at whoever crosses his path. He often sees the heat, although he tries to hide himself from view. Miss Emily Chapman is at home on a visit. Miss G. is a native of Worcester Mass. hospital for the year past. She has been in the hospital at Danvers for the last two weeks. She lost last week a gold wire bracelet on the right hand, and the finder will please leave it at the Post Office.

Rev. E. A. Hoyt will preach at Hanover village next Sabbath, the 16th, at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Fourteen of our men and boys went on to Mount Pisgah last Saturday and Sunday home next accompanied with blueberries and fair weather.

WELCHVILLE.

A supper was given in the new cloth finishing room Wednesday evening, Aug. 5th, under the auspices of the Methodist church. The supper was well attended, which is to be used toward obtaining a stone foundation for the church. Another supper will be given soon in the new school house.

An exceedingly bold burglary was committed in this village last Friday night. A common sized safe was taken from the office of the Hapner Mfg. Co. wheeled some thirty feet, dumped over a small embankment into a pond of water, and then thrown open. The safe when found was partially embedded in mud and water. From what we can learn the burglars were probably of the class known as "blows" and next year to have more it is hoped that I shall be remembered and receive the present of a box which I think he must have forgotten about this year.

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PARIS HILL.

Mrs. Austin Partridge is quite ill. The Universal circle held its first meeting of the season on Friday night, there was a stage entertainment of tableaux, and a very interesting and interesting "Home Sweet Home" after which refreshments were served. Another will be held in two weeks.

Memorial services in honor of Grover Post were held in the Baptist church Sunday. The church was decorated with flowers, and a draped picture of the dead general was placed in front of the altar. As there was no meeting at Universal church many of the members were present at the service, and taken at the close of the service, a collection for the Grant monument fund, was credited to both churches.

CASCO.

W. M. Scribner has moved from the Eastman store to the corner of the street, and is putting in a big stock of goods.

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